

Q.No 2: Give an account of the life and services of Shah Waliullah. How did he save the Indians Muslims from political annihilation and religious degeneration?

Answer:

Introduction

Life of Shah Waliullah

Services of Shah Waliullah

Save from political annihilation

Save from religious degeneration.

Shah Waliullah was a ^{Muslim} politico-religious reformist, who came in the period of decline of Muslim rule in the subcontinent. He tried to awaken Muslim rulers as well as masses, through his writings and actions. He also wrote some letters to the important personalities of that time, to address their political & religious degradation of the Muslims.

Shah Waliullah was born on 21 Feb 1703 at Muzaffarnagar, India and died in 1762, at the age of 59 in Delhi. His original name was Qutubuddin Ahmed Ibn-e-Abdul Rahim Dehliwi. He observed the era of downfall of Muslims very well and played a vital role in reforming the society. His father used to run Madras-e-Rahemia, after his death.

Shah looked after the Madrasah. The students of the madrasah were called his followers. The muslim rulers, as well as people, were swaying from sharia, moral decadence of muslim rulers was taking over, hindu reformist movements were emerging (which was a threat to muslims), social evil was spreading: gambling, Alcohol and Riba, hindu culture was dominating, and the muslims were deviating from the divine law.

Shah waliullah wrote books addressing political and religious situation of the muslims and guided them to improve their political religious situation. He wrote more than 50 books. His greatest achievement was translation of Quran into persian, for the ease of people, so that they could more understand Quran and his teachings.

Shah waliullah also wrote letters to important figures and factions of the society.

1- Mughal Rulers: He wrote letters to mughal rulers and asked them to leave hindu practices and follow Islamic principles

2- Soldiers: He wrote letters to demoralized soldiers, to inculcate in them spirit of Jihād.

3- Workers; He wrote letters to labour force to remind them of the fact that the economic prosperity is dependent on them.

4- Citizens; He also wrote letters to citizens to make them conscious of their duties as citizens of state.

5- British Emperors; He requested them to give up nepotism.

6- Ahmed Shah Abdali & Nader Shah:- He also wrote letters to Afghan rulers, and asked them to take over rule, as Mughals were lacking in their responsibilities. Also asked them to fight enemies of Muslims like Marhataas.

Shah Waliullah wrote letters to different categories of people i.e. rulers, workers, soldiers, citizens to make them politically stable.

He took two major steps to avoid religious degeneration.

1- Formation of guardians council for madaris:

Following were the objectives of guardians council.
i- Syllabus reformation. To avoid outdated information and to add new information

ii- Reformation of madaris: He reformed madaris because he believed that madaris were the ~~main~~ main nurseries of future scholars.

iii- To work for welfare of madaris: He gathered economic funds & clarity for madaris.

2- Opposition of Sectarianism: He opposed sectarianism and asked them to follow one sharia.

Which gives an account of life of Shah Waliullah his services in political and religious aspects of life.

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Q.5 - Explore the significance of Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) for Pakistan.

Answer :-

Introduction

Goals and Tasks of SCO

- (a) Promote good neighborly relations among member countries.
- (b) Promote cooperation in trade, energy & economy.
- (c) Promote cooperation on security related issues, namely terrorism, extremism and separatism.

Principles of SCO

- (a) Peaceful settlement of disputes among member states.

Geostrategic & Geoeconomic importance of SCO

SCO, which was formed back in 1996, which was initially named as Shanghai-5. As the name ~~is~~ suggests there were five founding members China, Russia, Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan and Kyrgyzstan. In 2001, after inclusion of ~~of~~ Uzbekistan, it became SCO. Pakistan and India became permanent members in 2017, which has broadened the scope of SCO.

Structure of SCO

Russia	Observer States:
China	Afghanistan
Uzbekistan	Iran
Turkmenistan	
Kyrgyzstan	
Kazakhstan	
Pakistan	
India	

Goals & Tasks of SCO

(a) Promote good neighbourly relations among member states.

Pakistan can resolve and develop good relations with its neighbors like India & Afghanistan using the platform of SCO.

(b) Promote cooperation in trade, energy, & economy.

Pakistan which is a developing country in South Asia, is facing major problems like trade deficit, energy breakdown and economical problems. If SCO functions fully and achieves works on its goals of promoting trade in the region, it will help Pakistan improve its trade. SCO can help Pakistan resolve energy problems and resume/initiate Iran-Pakistan gas pipeline and start new energy projects with Central Asian Republics (CARs). which will improve/help to resolve economic problem

(c) Promote cooperation on security related issues, namely combat these evils ~~namely~~ terrorism, extremism and separatism.

Pakistan believes Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP) is ~~the~~ the biggest threat and enemy of ~~Pakistan~~ peace in Pakistan. ~~BT AS~~ TTP is situated in Afghanistan, and Afghanistan being observer member of SCO. SCO can play role in combating TTP, through Afghan government, which will help Pakistan combat eradicate/reduce terrorism in Pakistan.

Principles of SCO

(a) Peaceful settlement of disputes between member states.

Pakistan's biggest rival India; being its neighbor and part of SCO, having many disputes like water dispute, Kashmir issue, line of control violations, with Pakistan. As a goal of SCO to settle disputes peacefully between member states, can play as a platform where all these bilateral issues of Pakistan can be resolved.

Geo Strategic & Geoeconomic importance of SCO.

SCO contains 4 nuclear power countries. CPEC & EEU will cover the whole region, which has the potential to reduce/solve economic problems of the ~~members~~ economically weak members like Pakistan. Pakistan has long been an ally of America, having always paid for this alliance. SCO can help counter US-Europe alliance. As all the CAR, are members of SCO, it is home to major producers of oil & gas, which can change the fate of Pakistan and other member countries. Geographically SCO provides a corridor b/w Eastern Asia & Europe, which can help establish trade with Europe.

Critical Analysis:

SCO having, as much potentials, have not achieved much success due to certain reasons.

i- Influence of America in the region. India being an ally of America, which affects its foreign policy. US-China being in race of becoming super power.

ii- Lack of Investments in the region.

iii- Financial crisis